COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (LA County CRC)

CRC MINUTES FOR SPECIAL MEETING: Saturday, December 11, 2021, 9:00 am

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Agenda

AGENDA ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Thai V. Le, Los Angeles County Citizens Redistricting Commission (LA County CRC) Clerk, called the meeting to order at 9:09 a.m. He reviewed the process for the public to select either English or Spanish access to interpreters.

AGENDA ITEM 2: ROLL CALL

LA County CRC's Resolution No. 2021-03 enables the Commission to meet virtually in accordance with Government Code section 54953(e)(3) to extend the time during which the Commission may continue to teleconference its meeting without compliance with paragraph (3) of subdivision (b) of section 54953 because of COVID-19 pandemic and health issues.

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Thai V. Le took roll call. A quorum was present.

| Yes | Commissioner Jean Franklin | Excused | Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura |
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| Yes | Commissioner David Holtzman | Yes | Commissioner Hailes Soto |
| Yes | Commissioner Mary Kenney | Yes | Commissioner Saira Soto |
| Yes | Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda | Yes | Commissioner Brian Stecher |
| Yes | Commissioner Mark Mendoza | Yes | Commissioner John Vento |
| Yes | Commissioner Apolonio Morales | Yes | Co-Chair Carolyn Williams |
| Yes | Commissioner Nelson Obregon | Yes | Commissioner Doreena Wong |

AGENDA ITEM 3: APPROVAL OF AGENDA - CO-CHAIR CAROLYN WILLIAMS

The agenda was accepted with one change. There was not a Closed Session (Agenda Item 4).

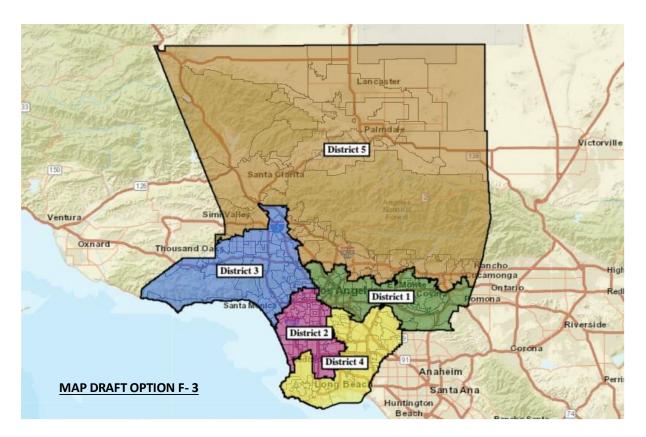
AGENDA ITEM 4: CLOSED SESSION

This Agenda Item 4 was removed from the Agenda.

AGENDA ITEM 5: CONSENT ITEMS - CO-CHAIR DAN MAYEDA

5a. Discussion and Potential Approval of Final Map — Co-Chairs Carolyn Williams and Dan Mayeda

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Executive Director, pointed out that Map F-3 was the map being considered at this Special Meeting. It was posted at the Hall of Administration and on the LA County CRC website: https://redistricting.lacounty.gov/. It can also be found on the redistricting hub (https://redistrictinglacounty.hub.arcgis.com/)







Public Comments

Public comment – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes: All individuals who signed up to make public comment had the opportunity to make public comments.

- 1. Stuart Waldman, VICA described desired modifications to SFV around Granada Hills
- 2. Aaron Robertson, Advancement Project Add 3 block stretch on Western Avenue and small rectangle by Hoover in Korea Town; wanted Skid Row in SD D2, etc. will submit details as a written public comment
- 3. Stacey Armato, Hermosa Beach City Councilmember wanted the beach cities in SD 4 with Torance and Palos Verdes Peninsula (not with DTLA)
- 4. Heath Kline, Woodland Hills Warner Center Neighborhood Council preferred Map OP 93 to keep SFV whole
- 5. Jessica Panduro move North Whittier and Citrus to SD 1
- 6. Cami Hamilton shared thanks regarding the LA County CRC communications and interpretation services
- 7. Karo Torossian regarding Map OP 101, Map OP 103 cleaned it up; unified Pomona; unified Hollywood; etc.
- 8. Maria Brenes, InnerCity Struggle look at Map OP 101
- 9. Mayor Bill Brand, Redondo Beach move beach cities back to SD 4 and put DTLA with SD 2
- 10. Judy St John, Protect Out Neighborhood wanted to tweak maps to ensure that Pomona is with La Verne because they share the Fairplex and need one supervisor
- 11. Tim Sandoval, City of Pomona, Resident and Mayor glad to see Pomona whole in SD 1; liked elements of Map OP 101 but needed Cal Poly in SD 1; Fairplex is in Pomona
- 12. Wayne Craig, President of Rescue Our Waterfront echoed what other beach cities said to keep them together with Torrance and the Palos Verdes Peninsula in SD 4
- 13. Frank Cardenas Executive Director of LA City CRC in 2011 and this year SD 1 should honor historic Asian communities in SGV; historic African American communities in SD 2. Embraced SFV to be whole. SD 5 transformed into an entertainment industry found Map OP 101 "breath-taking"
- 14. Susan Marlow Redondo Beach resident; keep the beach cities together; beach cities have nothing to do with DTLA or SFV
- 15. Lawrence Claremont resident (raised in Rowland Heights) La Habra Heights belongs in SD 4; La Habra Heights has only 5,000 residents; belongs as a COI with Whittier
- 16. John Mendoza wanted to keep Pomona in SD 1; he expressed concern that one supervisor be over the entire Fairplex (which might necessitate moving north Pomona to SD 5 to be with LA Verne)



Commissioner Discussion

Commissioner discussions – see recordings on "VIDEO FILE FOR ENTIRE MEETING POSTED" at the start of the minutes:

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough proposed an approach for the Commissioners to let Thai V. Le, Clerk and GIS expert, to take the lead in orchestrating the map changes and discussions.

- 1. Thai V. Le would display Map F-3.
- 2. The Commissioners would use a round robin approach to discuss changes, by supervisorial district.
- 3. Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough would capture the Commissioners' input and proposed changes in the minutes.
- 4. If there was consensus, Thai V. Le would make the change on the map and Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough would note what changes were made, if any, in the minutes.

The Commissioners discussed the merits of this approach. The Commissioners discussed how best to tackle the proposed map adjustments. Thai V. Le saved a "working draft" of Map F-3 for the discussions. Commissioner Hailes Soto requested that population shifts be identified with changes made. The Commissioners did a round robin discussion of each supervisorial district (SD).

Summary of Adjustments Made to Map F-3

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough reviewed the suggestion made and outlined the adjustments made to Map F-3:

| SD 1 | Moved La Habra Heights into SD 4 – small population but has adverse impact on deviation | | |
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| | • | Moved Pico Rivera into SD 1 to balance change with La Habra Heights | |
| | • | Moved RDU with parts of Fairplex in La Verne from SD 5 to SD 1 to keep Fairplex whole | |
| | • | Moved RDUs recognized in CSA reference layer as part of Pico Union from SD 1 to SD 2 to | |
| | | keep Koreatown whole as defined in public testimony | |
| | • | Added RDUs from SD 2 to SD 3 to keep Ballona wetlands together in SD 3 | |
| SD 2 | • | Moved 2 RDUs recognized in CSA reference layer as part of Pico Union from SD 1 to SD 2 to | |
| | | keep Koreatown whole as defined in public testimony | |
| | • | United South Robertson NC by moving RDUs from SD 2 to SD 3 | |
| SD 3 | • | None | |
| SD 4 | • | None (Commerce had been moved from SD 1 to SD 4; that move was later reversed putting | |
| | | Commerce back in SD 1) | |
| SD 5 | | Moved Los Feliz area, including Griffith Park, from SD 1 to SD 5 | |
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Motions

Motion 1

Co-Chair Mayeda said he wanted to consider a motion to adopt Map OP 107 (which is Map OP 106 + move of Pico Rivera to SD 1). Commissioner Holtzman made a motion that the Commission use Map OP 107 as the base map for further discussion. Mayeda seconded that motion. Map OP 107 is based on Map 101, which was based on Map F-3.

The Commissioners discussed the motion, focusing on questions of clarification and implications to specific COIs and prior adjustments made. The Commissioners looked at an overlay of Map F-3 over Map OP 107. Thai V. Le walked the Commissioners through the differences. The Commissioners discussed their thoughts about and reactions to Map OP 107. The motion failed.

| Motion Made: | Commissioner David Holtzman |
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| Motion Seconded: | Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda |
| Outcome: | Failed |

| Yes | Commissioner Jean Franklin | Excused | Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura |
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| Yes | Commissioner David Holtzman | No | Commissioner Hailes Soto |
| Excused | Commissioner Mary Kenney | No | Commissioner Saira Soto |
| Yes | Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda | No | Commissioner Brian Stecher |
| Yes | Commissioner Mark Mendoza | No | Commissioner John Vento |
| No | Commissioner Apolonio Morales | No | Co-Chair Carolyn Williams |
| No | Commissioner Nelson Obregon | No | Commissioner Doreena Wong |

Motion 2

Co-Chair Mayeda suggested a motion to make modified Map F-3 as the adopted map. Commissioner Saira Soto suggested not to use the word "adopt." Commissioner David Holtzman moved that modified Map F-3 be published as the base map for further discussions. Commissioner Brian Stecher seconded the motion. The Commissioners discussed the motion.



| Motion Made: | Commissioner David Holtzman |
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| Motion Seconded: | Commissioner Brian Stecher |
| Outcome: | Approved |

| Abstain | Commissioner Jean Franklin | Excused | Commissioner Priscilla Orpinela-Segura |
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| Yes | Commissioner David Holtzman | Yes | Commissioner Hailes Soto |
| Excused | Commissioner Mary Kenney | Yes | Commissioner Saira Soto |
| Yes | Co-Chair Daniel Mayeda | Yes | Commissioner Brian Stecher |
| Yes | Commissioner Mark Mendoza | Yes | Commissioner John Vento |
| Yes | Commissioner Apolonio Morales | Yes | Co-Chair Carolyn Williams |
| Abstain | Commissioner Nelson Obregon | Yes | Commissioner Doreena Wong |

The motion was approved. Thai V. Le pointed out that modified Map F-3 would be published as Map F-4.

Commissioner Saira asked when the bigger issues would (e.g., beach cities) be discussed. Commissioner Brian Stecher suggested that they could move beach cities to SD 4 and move some of the SELA communities into SD 2. The Commissioners continued to discuss next steps and the need for time to digest the changes to date.

5b. Discussion and Direction Regarding Draft Final Report

This Agenda Item was skipped until there is further clarification on the Final Map.

AGENDA ITEM 7: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough, Ph.D.

Gayla Kraetsch Hartsough outlined the meeting dates and times. The next meeting is Sunday, December 12, 2021, at 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM 8: ADJOURNMENT - Co-Chair Dan Mayeda

Co-Chair Mayeda adjourned the meeting at 1:35 p.m.

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